

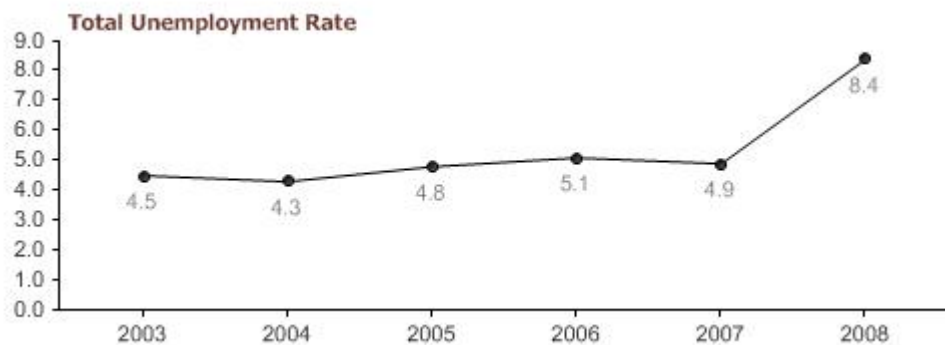
Lagrange County, IN Highlights

Labor Force

An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2008

| | Number | Pct. Chg. from 2000 |
|-------------|--------|---------------------|
| Labor Force | 17,264 | 1.6% |
| Employed | 15,812 | -4.8% |
| Unemployed | 1,452 | 277.1% |
| Rate | 8.4 | 265.2% |



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Force Estimates

| | Labor Force | Emp. | Unemp. | Area Rate | State Rate |
|------|-------------|--------|--------|-----------|------------|
| 1998 | 17,425 | 16,989 | 436 | 2.5 | 2.9 |
| 1999 | 17,686 | 17,256 | 430 | 2.4 | 2.9 |
| 2000 | 16,993 | 16,608 | 385 | 2.3 | 2.9 |
| 2001 | 16,555 | 15,774 | 781 | 4.7 | 4.2 |
| 2002 | 16,560 | 15,780 | 780 | 4.7 | 5.2 |
| 2003 | 16,463 | 15,724 | 739 | 4.5 | 5.3 |
| 2004 | 16,756 | 16,041 | 715 | 4.3 | 5.3 |
| 2005 | 17,312 | 16,474 | 838 | 4.8 | 5.4 |
| 2006 | 17,511 | 16,619 | 892 | 5.1 | 5.0 |
| 2007 | 17,098 | 16,265 | 833 | 4.9 | 4.6 |
| 2008 | 17,264 | 15,812 | 1,452 | 8.4 | 5.9 |

